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In this
**THRILLING
ISSUE:**

1,000
YEARS AGO
in 1962!

NOBODY
EVER GAVE
ME
a CHANCE!

The DOG
THAT DIDN'T
DIE!

...and other
EXCITING
FEATURES!

LET THY
POWER PROTECT
ME, OH
IDOL...



THROW YOUR VOICE



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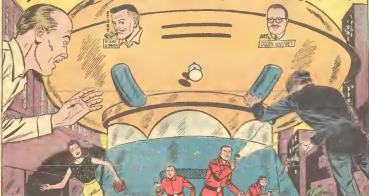
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1,000 YEARS AGO...in 1962!



PLANET EARTH...THE YEAR IS 2962...

ATTENTION, ALL TOUR MEMBERS! WE ARE NOW FLYING OVER THE INTER-CONTINENTAL CONGRESS BUILDING, WHERE EVEN NOW MATTERS OF GREATEST IMPORTANCE ARE PROBABLY BEING DISCUSSED...



THE POPULATION EXPLOSION HAS GONE ON FOR CENTURIES. IT HAS NOW REACHED A POINT WHERE ALL OUR MODERN INVENTIONS CAN NO LONGER PROVIDE FOOD OR LIVING SPACE FOR OUR PEOPLE. THE EARTH IS AT THE POINT OF DYING BECAUSE OF OVER-POPULATION!



IN THE PAST, SCIENCE HAS ALWAYS COME TO OUR AID, IN THE HOPE THAT IT COULD DO SO ONCE MORE. THE PROJECT HAS BEEN ENTRUSTED TO OUR GREAT YOUNG SCIENTIST, XW-4362, WHO WILL NOW REPORT TO YOU ON HIS FINDINGS!



MEMBERS OF THE INTERCONTINENTAL CONGRESS, MY EFFORTS IN THIS MATTER CONCERNED THEMSELVES WITH SEEKING SOME PLACE TO WHICH OUR EXCESS NUMBERS COULD BE SHIFTED. I SHALL NOW PRESENT AN ILLUSTRATED REPORT DEALING WITH MY SEARCH THROUGH SPACE FOR A SUITABLE PLANET...



"DEPARTING FROM G-COMPLEX STRIP ON B-TANGENT FLIGHT, WE DELIBERATELY AVOIDED ALL CHARTED SPACE ROUTES, STRIKING INTO UNEXPLORED PLANET PATTERNS. TARGET AFTER TARGET WAS INVESTIGATED--- WITH ZERO RESULT---"

XIN-4262 TO CREW

---NOW HEAR THIS! HAVING FOUND NO PLANETS IN THIS AREA WITH ATMOSPHERE CAPABLE OF SUSTAINING LIFE, OUR COURSE IS NOW BEING SET FOR 13TH QUADRANT OF R GALAXY!



"SOMETIMES THERE WAS BREATHABLE ATMOSPHERE, BUT SCOUTING CAR CHECK REVEALED OTHER NEGATIVE FACTORS---"

LIFELESS--NO

VEGETATION--PRACTICALLY PURE ROCK. THERE'D BE NO WAY OF GROWING FOOD FOR OUR EXCESS POPULATION!



"OFTEN, WE WOULD MAKE A TRIDENT LANDING FOR CLOSER INVESTIGATION---BUT IT WAS OF NO USE---"

BACK TO OUR SPACECRAFT, MEN---IF WE CAN FIND THE WAY, THIS ISN'T FOR HUMANS!

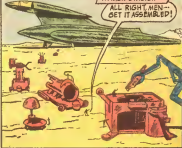


I ALMOST THOUGHT I'D FOUND WHAT I WAS LOOKING FOR IN A TINY PLANET IN GALAXY W. AS THIS PICTURE SHOWS, IT SUPPORTED LIFE OF A SORT--THE FIERCEST LIFE I EVER CAME IN CONTACT WITH!



"I WELCOMED IT, HOWEVER, BECAUSE IT PROVIDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO TRY OUT THE NEW WIDE-RANGE EXTERMINATION WEAPON DEVELOPED BY OUR MILITARY ATTACK DIVISION---"

ALL RIGHT, MEN-- GET IT ASSEMBLED!



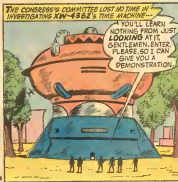
"AS YOU KNOW, THIS MIGHTY WEAPON OPERATES ON THE PRINCIPLE OF TEMPORARILY CHANGING THE ATMOSPHERE, SO THAT IT IS RENDERED UNBREATHABLE THROUGHOUT AN ENTIRE WORLD IN A MATTER OF HOURS. NOW THE TEST BEGINS---"

INCREASE VACUUM POWER TO DELTA-16!



IT WORKED---WORKED TO PERFECTION-- WITHIN HALF A DAY LIFE WAS COMPLETELY WIPED OUT! HOWEVER, THE PLANET PROVED IMPRACTICAL FOR OTHER REASONS--POOR WATER SUPPLY AND EXCESSIVE SUMMER TEMPERATURES!







ARE...ARE WE GOING VERY FAR FROM HERE?

WE'RE NOT BUDGING FROM THE SPOT! WE STAND STILL...IT'S TIME THAT DOES THE TRAVELING! HERE GOES...



NOTHING SEEMS TO BE HAPPENING...

THINK NOT! TAKE A LOOK AT THE TREES--THEY'RE JUST LITTLE SAPLINGS NOW. WE'VE GONE BACK 50 YEARS, TO THE TIME WHEN THEY WERE FIRST PLANTED. HANG ON--WE'RE HEADED FOR 1962, THE ERA I PLAN TO TAKE OVER FOR OUR EXCESS POPULATION!



A LOW HUM ROSE TO A MIGHTY ROAR! IT TIME MOVED BACK! BACK! THEN A SUDDEN BREATHELESS SILENCE-- AN AMAZING SIGHT--

HUH? IS THIS 1962?

GUESS I MUST HAVE OVERSHOT THE MARK--I PULLED THE CONTROLS TOO FAR BY A CENTURY AND WE'VE LANDED RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE AND MAKE FOR HOME--YOU'VE ALREADY SEEN THAT MY TIME MACHINE WORKS!



IT'S WONDERFUL--MARVELOUS! EXACTLY WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS?

TO TRAIN A CREW OF FIGHTING MEN FOR A SECRET SCOUTING TRIP TO 1962! I WANT TO SEE IF IT'S AS THE ANCIENT BOOKS DESCRIBED IT, WITH FINE NATURAL RESOURCES AND LAND CAPABLE OF GROWING SUFFICIENT FOOD.



I INTEND TO TAKE ALONG THE NEW WIDE-RANGE EXTERMINATION WEAPON. IF EVERYTHING'S SATISFACTORY, WE'LL PROCEED TO KILL OFF EARTH'S POPULATION AS WE DID THOSE ANIMALS IN GALAXY WITH THAT WILL GIVE US THE ROOM WE NEED FOR OUR EXCESS POPULATION!



KILL OFF AN ENTIRE POPULATION--EVERY LAST PERSON ON EARTH--I DIDN'T THINK THERE WAS A MAN ALIVE WHO WAS CAPABLE OF ANYTHING LIKE THAT--

YOU JUST DON'T KNOW XW-4362! HE'S A COLD, HARD SCIENTIFIC MACHINE WITHOUT LOVE OR PITY--AND HE CAN DO ANYTHING!

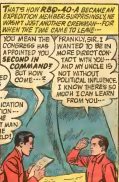


NOW IT WAS TIME TO RECRUIT A CREW FOR THE DANGEROUS MISSION OF SCOUTING 1962 AND ELIMINATING ITS POPULATION CAREFULLY AND METHODICALLY. XW-4362 SCREENED ALL APPLICANTS--

YOUR FACE IS FAMILIAR! AREN'T YOU THE YOUNG FELLOW WHO ASKED ME FOR MY AUTOGRAPH OUTSIDE THE INTERCONTINENTAL CONGRESS?

YES SIR, I'VE ALWAYS ADMIRER YOUR GREATNESS. GO--AND IF I COULD ONLY HAVE ANOTHER AUTOGRAPH--THIS TIME ON MY APPLICATION TO ACCOMPANY YOUR EXPEDITION--

I'D BE THE HAPPIEST MAN IN THE WORLD!



THAT'S HOW RBO-40-A BECAME AN EXPEDITION MEMBER. SURPRISINGLY, HE WASN'T JUST ANOTHER DREAMER--FOR WHEN THE TIME CAME TO LEAVE--

YOU MEAN THE CONGRESS HAS APPOINTED YOU SECOND IN COMMAND? BUT HOW COME--?

FRANKLY, SIR, I WANTED TO BE IN MORE DIRECT CONTACT WITH YOU--AND MY UNCLE IS NOT WITHOUT POLITICAL INFLUENCE. I KNOW THERE'S SO MUCH I CAN LEARN FROM YOU--

ONCE MORE, THE TIME MACHINE DELVED BACK INTO THE PAST... THIS TIME ON A GRIM MISSION...



FINALLY...

1962! WE MAY FACE UNKNOWN PERILS HERE, AND I REFUSE TO RISK YOUR LIVES. I'M GOING TO DO THE PRELIMINARY SCOUTING PERSONALLY!

I HATE TO THINK OF YOU EXPOSING YOURSELF TO DANGER, GIRL. A MAN OF YOUR IMPORTANCE...



BUT A SUCCESSFUL SPY HAS TO LOOK JUST LIKE THOSE MEN SPYING AGAINST, AND SO, FROM THE INVISIBLE TIME MACHINE, A LONG-RANGE TELESCOPIC CAMERA PROBED OUTWARD...

PROBABLY NEVER SEEN A DEVICE LIKE THIS, HAVE YOUR WATCH... HAVING GOTTEN A PICTURE OF A TYPICAL MALE COSTUME OF THESE TIMES, I INSERT THE PHOTOGRAPHIC PLATE IN THE MACHINE...



...AND PRESTO! IN THIS CLOTHING, YOU WOULDN'T KNOW ME FROM ONE OF THEM!



DON'T WORRY ABOUT ANYONE SEEING YOU... BOTH THE TIME MACHINE AND YOU MEN WILL BE INVISIBLE TO THE PEOPLE OF THIS ERA. JUST SIT TIGHT UNTIL YOU HEAR FROM ME!



COUNTY FAIR... WONDER WHAT THAT'S ALL ABOUT? MAYBE IT'LL HELP ME LEARN THEIR CUSTOMS...

ALL THIS WEEK
COUNTY FAIR
COME ONE-COME ALL

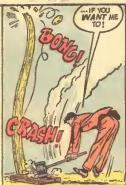


YOU THERE, MY FRIEND... YOU LOOK LIKE A BIG, STRONG TYPE! LET'S SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO! ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS BING THE Mallet... AND RING THE BELL!

BE A
HE-MAN
RING THE BELL!



ME? WELL, ALL RIGHT...



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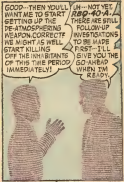
ALL I KNOW IS THAT YOU DID SOMETHING TO IT, JOE. YOU-- YOU SAVED MY LIFE...

NOW, NOW, MARGIE-- NEVER MIND. ALL I WANT TO DO IS GET YOU HOME SO YOU CAN RELAX.



WELCOME, KW-4362 ---WE'VE AWAITED YOU IMPATIENTLY. WHAT HAVE YOU TO REPORT SO FAR?

THINGS LOOK EXCELLENT. PLENTY OF SPACE, GOOD CLEEN AIR, THINGS GROWING ---IT'S WHAT WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR, I THINK.



GOOD--THEN YOU'LL WANT ME TO START GETTING UP THE DE-ATMOSPHERING WEAPON. CORRECT? WE MIGHT AS WELL START KILLING OFF THE INHABITANTS OF THIS TIME PERIOD IMMEDIATELY!

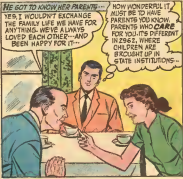
UH---NOT YET. RBP-40-A. THERE ARE STILL FOLLOW-UP INVESTIGATIONS TO BE MADE FIRST--I'LL GIVE YOU THE GO-AHEAD WHEN I'M READY.



NEXT DAY, HE CALLED ON MARGIE. JUST TO SEE HOW SHE WAS, HE ASSURED HIMSELF--- BUT THIS WAS STRANGE BEHAVIOR FOR THE COLD-INDIFFERENT SCIENTIST UPON INVITATION. HE STAYED FOR DINNER---

I'VE NEVER TASTED ANYTHING SO DELICIOUS--

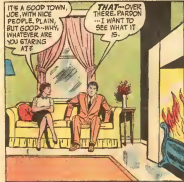
ONE WOULD THINK YOU'D NEVER EATEN APPLE PIE BEFORE, BUT I'M GLAD YOU LIKE IT--- I BAKED IT MYSELF.



HE GOT TO KNOW HER PARENTS---

YES, I WOULDN'T EXCHANGE THE FAMILY LIFE WE HAVE FOR ANYTHING. WE'VE ALWAYS LOVED EACH OTHER---AND BEEN HAPPY FOR IT---

HOW WONDERFUL IT MUST BE TO HAVE PARENTS YOU KNOW, PARENTS WHO CARE FOR YOU. IT'S DIFFERENT IN 2962, WHERE CHILDREN ARE BROUGHT UP IN STATE INSTITUTIONS--



IT'S A GOOD TOWN, JOE, WITH NICE PEOPLE. PLAIN, BUT GOOD--WHY, WHATEVER, ARE YOU STARING AT?

THAT--OVER THERE. PARDON ---I WANT TO SEE WHAT IT IS.



THESE LEAPING RED AND YELLOW THINGS ---WHAT ARE THEY? I---OW-WHWWW!

THEY HAD NOTHING LIKE THIS IN 2962, FOR FIRE HAD BEEN SUPPLANTED AND BRADICATED CENTURIES BEFORE, IN FAVOR OF CURRENT-CARRYING CABLES...

I DECLARE, ONE WOULD THINK YOU'D NEVER SEEN FIRE BEFORE! HONESTLY, JOE, SOMETIMES I JUST CAN'T MAKE YOU OUT!



IT'S A GOOD WORLD... IF ONLY I'D BEEN BORN IN THIS TIME...



THE CREW IS COMPLAINING ABOUT THIS INACTION... IS IT NECESSARY THAT ALL THIS SCOUTING BE DONE BY YOU ALONE? IT WOULD SAVE TIME IF YOU ALLOWED US TO HELP YOU...

AS LONG AS I'M IN CHARGE OF THIS EXPEDITION, IT WILL BE THE WAY I WANT IT. YOU MEN WILL REMAIN HERE UNTIL I ORDER OTHERWISE!



HE COULDN'T BRING HIMSELF TO COMMENCE THE PLANNED WORLD-WIDE DESTRUCTION AGAINST THESE PEOPLE... NOT WHEN THERE WERE THINGS LIKE THIS IN THE WAY...

IF YOU'VE NEVER TRIED A SODA WITH TWO STRAWS YOU'VE NEVER LIVED, JOE!



OR THIS...

BUT WHAT... WHAT DO I DO NEXT?

HA-HA! HE SURE MUST COME FROM A HICK TOWN... CAN'T EVEN "SQUARE" DANCE!



THEY WENT FOR A WALK INSTEAD... AND IN THE MOONLIT ROMANCE OF THE SUMMER NIGHT...

IT--IT'S SO LOVELY... THE NIGHT... YOU...

AREN'T YOU... GOING TO KISS ME?



KISSING... THE PEOPLE OF THE FUTURE HAD ELIMINATED IT MANY CENTURIES BEFORE! BUT JW-4362 KNEW, GENERALLY, WHAT IT WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN... SO NOW HE TRIED IT GINGERLY...



WONDER OF WONDERS, HE LIKED IT--AND BEFORE HE KNEW IT, HE WAS DOING WHAT CAME NATURALLY. THIS WAS FOR HIM... SHE WAS FOR HIM!



SO THAT'S HOW HE'S BEEN SCOUTING... THAT'S HOW HE'S FAITHFUL TO HIS TRUST! WELL, IF OUR LEADER'S BEEN FAITHLESS, THERE'LL BE A NEW LEADER... ME!



THEY TRAILED HIM AS HE TOOK HIS LEAVE OF MARGIE AT HER HOUSE... THEN INTERCEPTED HIM...

HOW DARE YOU ACCUSE ME OF SELLING YOU OUT? IT--IT ISN'T SO--

IN THAT CASE--YOU WON'T MIND IF I USE MY RAYGUN TO KILL HER!



HARM HER AND I'LL RIP YOU APART!

POW!



YOU'VE PROVED THE CASE AGAINST YOURSELF, XW-4362... YOU'RE GUILTY OF TREASON!

SEE THAT REG EXECUTED AT ONCE, MEN--AS YOUR NEW LEADER, I ORDER IT!



GET HIM! YOU FOOLS, YOU'VE LET HIM ESCAPE...



NOT A SIGN OF HIM--WE MUST HAVE GOTTEN HIM. ALL RIGHT, HE'S DEAD!

GOOO! WITH ME IN COMMAND, THINGS WILL BE DIFFERENT. WE'LL START ASSEMBLING OUR DE-ATMOSPHERIC WEAPON AT ONCE-- THEN TURN IT LOOSE!





THE ATMOSPHERE
WILL BE DESTROYED...
THEY'LL ALL DIE...
MARGIE...HER PARENTS
...**NO, NO!**...I CAN'T
LET IT HAPPEN!



NEXT MORNING...

YOU'VE GOT TO TRUST ME AND NOT
THINK I'M CRAZY! THIS AREA--
THE WHOLE WORLD--IT'S IN DEADLY
DANGER! CAN I GET SOLDIERS--
QUICK?

THERE AREN'T ANY SOLDIERS
WITHIN HUNDREDS OF MILES,
JOE. ALL WE'VE GOT AROUND
HERE IS A TROOP OF
BOY SCOUTS!



MAYBE IT WAS JUST AS WELL--ADULTS
MIGHT NOT BELIEVE HIM IN THE FIRST
PLACE. SO--AS **THE MIGHTY WEAPON**
TOOK SHAPE--

NOW, FELL AS, GATHER
AROUND AND LISTEN
CAREFULLY--THIS IS
IMPORTANT!



THIS IS A SORT OF **GAME!** JUST SUPPOSE
AN INVISIBLE CRAFT HAD LANDED OVER
THERE, AND INVISIBLE MEN WERE THERE
WORKING, PLOTTING EVERYONE'S
DEATH. WHAT COULD WE ATTACK
WITH?

PRAYERS,
MAYBE. WE'RE
TOO SMALL TO
CHARGE 'EM--
GUNS WE
DON'T HAVE...

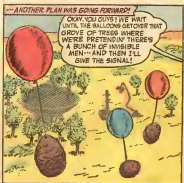


...BUT WE ONCE MADE
UP A GAME ABOUT WHAT
WOULD HAPPEN IF **SPACE-**
MEN EVER ATTACKED!
WE'D GET OUR **BB RIFLES**--
...AND A LOT OF **BALLOONS**--
...AND **HORNETS' NESTS**--

**ATTABOY,
HERBIE!
LET'S
GO!**

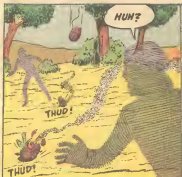
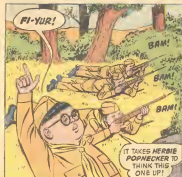


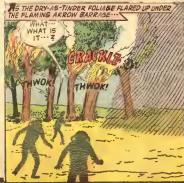
**AND WHILE THE MEN OF THE FUTURE WORKED TO
ASSEMBLE THEIR TERRIBLE DEVICE...**

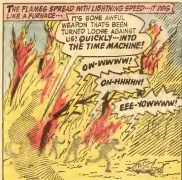


...ANOTHER PLAN WAS GOING FORWARD!

OKAY, YOU GUYS! WE WAIT
UNTIL THE BALLOONS GET OVER THAT
GROVE OF TREES WHERE
WERE PRETENDIN' THERE'S
A BUNCH OF INVISIBLE
MEN--AND THEN I'LL
GIVE THE SIGNAL!







THE FLAMES SPREAD WITH LIGHTNING SPEED...IT WAS LIKE A FURNACE...

IT'S SOME AWFUL WEAPON THAT'S BEEN TURNED LOOSE AGAINST US! QUICKLY...INTO THE TIME MACHINE!

OH-WWWW!

OH-HHHHH!

EEE-YOWWWW!



BUT THERE WAS LITTLE PROTECTION INSIDE AS THE FIRE FLAMED HOTTER...

CAN'T STAND MUCH MORE OF THIS...

UH... UH...



HANG ON! WE'VE GOT TO...GET BACK TO 2962...BEFORE WE'RE ROASTED...

THERE WAS JUST TIME TO MAKE THEIR ESCAPE. BACK HOME, RBO-40-A DELIVERED HIS REPORT...

I TOOK OVER FOLLOWING THE TREACHERY OF XM-4362 AND LABORED VALIANTLY FOR THE SUCCESS OF OUR MISSION. AND I WOULD HAVE SUCCEEDED SAVE FOR THE TERRIBLE UNKNOWN WEAPON THEY TURNED LOOSE ON US. TO SAVE THE LIVES OF MY CREW, I RETURNED...

YOU HAVE DONE WELL, OBVIOUSLY THE MISSION WAS AN IMPOSSIBLE ONE DOOMED FROM THE START!

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We've got a strange, strange story headlining this issue of "Unknown Worlds", fans. "1,000 Years Ago In 1942" isn't the usual type of science fiction plot. Actually, it's something which could someday happen, as far as the problem it sets forth is concerned. We think you'll go for it—and when it comes to contrast, what do you think of "Nobody Ever Gave Me A Chance"? This one is a type of plot that's been done before, but never in the kind of framework and event that we've given it. So—how's for your kisses and hisses, readers? Send them to The Editor, "Unknown Worlds", 331 Madison Avenue, New York 17, N. Y.

"Dear Editor:—

I am a great fan of 'Unknown Worlds'. Every issue I can get my hands on I read three or four times. Here are my ratings on several recent stories I've read: 'Sam's A Hard Man To Convince', good. 'Unlucky Horseshoe', excellent. 'Out Of Nowhere', didn't like it. 'Sentimental Spirit', very good. I didn't care for 'Out Of Nowhere' because it seemed to be a story that could never happen, whereas most of your other S.F.'s may happen in the future. All in all, I think you have a great magazine—keep up the good work! I'd also like to express how much I hate those crank letters. They are all uncalled for. All these people are doing is trying to show off. I get a charge out of those phony names they use. They're so phony that you can spot them a mile away. Lastly, I'd like to say one more thing—thanks for the fine entertainment!

—William Howard,

652 Lower Dix Avenue, Hudson Falls, N. Y." Obviously, you like a good degree of probability in your story fare, Bill. There's nothing wrong with that—except that many gurns which are admittedly impossible do peek sweet plots, and you may be missing up on a good bet if you pass them by. Crank letters, now . . . what can we say? They'll always be with us, and lots of folks get a charge out of reading them. We know very well that they attack us for the purpose of breaking into print, but if we print letters praising our work, we feel duty bound to show the other side, too—even if it is fake! Some of the names they use, however, are most definitely their own.

"Dear Editor:—

I sure do enjoy 'Unknown Worlds'! All of the issues are magnificent. As soon as I start reading your comic, I feel as if I were playing the role of the main character. Are your books bewitched? I enjoy your fine magazine so much that I have come to your rescue. It wasn't only insulting to you, but to all your faithful readers to read the insulting remarks that Nancy

Cronkite sent in. Besides that, she mentioned that she thought that the 'Kisses And Hisses' Department was ridiculous. Well, there are lots and lots more readers who enjoy the department and would miss it if it were taken away. She also said that all of the endings of your stories were happy. If she'd only read enough of your stories to pass worthwhile judgment, she'd find that she was wrong. Some of your plots have such sad endings that I have to cry! Your anti-crank fan—

—Nancy Perez,

560 N.W. 15 Place, Miami 35, Fla."

So the war continues—Crank's Vs. Anti-Cranks. This time, it's Nancy Vs. Nancy. Thanks for the truly lovely things you've had to say, Nancy Perez, but we do want to insert a cautioning note. Not all people who don't like our magazine are cranks. Sometimes they may be completely sincere in disliking the stories we carry. But to them, we say that ours is an Amazing Story magazine that specializes in both Supernatural and Science Fiction plots. If anyone doesn't like thrilling stories in these categories, they most definitely will not like our endeavors.

"Dear Editor:—

I've been reading your books and I really enjoy them. 'Unknown Worlds' was so interesting that I decided to write you, comparing it to other comics magazines that I had. I looked through them and found that my best books were published by you. Such as 'Adventures Into The Unknown', 'Forbidden Worlds' and 'Midnight Mystery'—together with 'Unknown Worlds', of course. All American Comics Group (ACG) magazines! All I have are compliments—sorry, no complaints! Keep up the wonderful work!

—Mike Slater,

21 Ransom St., North Tonawanda, N. Y."

Mike, it's nice when folks speak well of what we're trying to do. We'll try hard to keep on bringing our fans the very best in tense and thrilling Action. Not everybody thinks we're tops at this effort, worse luck—see the following letter for an adverse vote!

"Dear Editor:—

I have just finished reading 'Unknown Worlds' No. 16, and was not particularly impressed by it. I do have some constructive criticism to make, however. The best story in the issue, 'Out Of Nowhere', was good because it contained a surprising, yet believable ending and that most effective of all elements, irony. But it was not very effective, because it was handled in a straight, impersonal narrative style. It read like a summary of a longer story rather than a short story itself. It should have

been in the first or second person, from the viewpoint of the invader. His emotions should have been described. Perhaps at first he is a little afraid. Then, seeing how easily he is succeeding, he becomes confident, cocksure. He dreams proudly of the conquest of Earth to come. He sees himself honored for his part in it. This would play up the ironic ending. Then, when the dog barks at him and he is caught in the spider's web, the last panel description is unnecessary. It is more effective just to see the alien caught in the net; the picture explains itself. A plot is the most basic element in a story, but to simply slap it on the page with no style, no distinctive presentation, can often ruin it. You underestimate the credulity of your readers. In 'Unlucky Horseshoe', the least effective of No. 16's stories, you spend the entire story explaining the existence and background of an unlucky horseshoe. This should have been told at the beginning. You needn't present a million examples to prove it—at the mere mention of its unluckiness, we are ready to consider and believe it. What is the point of showing that a horseshoe is unlucky and then explaining how it got that way? You have no substantial plot. You should have begun with a description of the evil reputation of the mountain and the legend behind it. Then, when a skeptic got hold of the horseshoe, you might show how it changed his life for evil, or, eventually, for good. Character study must accompany narrative. 'Sentimental Spirit' was very good. The plot was good and the narrative was, for once, effective. It is unusual for such a long story to be that fine—usually, shorter ones of three or four pages are the most effective. Your artwork is excellent. However, we never see how a scene looks through one of the character's eyes. A word about your crank letters—why do you print them? So you can get other readers to defend you and thus stimulate interest? That is a cheap trick! I shall continue to read your magazine and hope that it improves. Your framework, the plots, are certainly okay.

—Lorelei Lovelace,

1812 Andrews Ave., Bronx 53, N. Y."

This, to us, is a highly interesting letter. The writer is no crank, no wise guy, but someone who's attempted sincere criticism. For this we thank you, Lorelei. You write intelligently and possess an excellent concept of story-telling. Obviously, you're acquainted with the methods of building characterization and drama. However, and in our own defense, we are moved to say that many of your criticisms could be directed with equal justice at the majority of moving picture and television productions. There's scarcely a story told anywhere that couldn't be improved. Also, there are many, many ways in which any plot can be unfolded. You've set forth some distinctly fine ideas on what could have been done with "Out Of Nowhere". But if they had been followed, a much longer story would necessarily have resulted—and we had only three pages to allot to it. Proceeding to "Unlucky Horseshoe", now ask what the point is of showing that a horseshoe is unlucky and then explaining how it got that

way. The point is, Lorelei, that that was our story. Of course it could have been handled differently—every story can. But that doesn't necessarily mean that it would have turned out better. Now let's proceed to your statements re "Sentimental Spirit", where we feel that you contradict yourself. You say that it's unusual for such a long story to be that fine—that usually, shorter ones of three or four pages are the most effective. However, all the suggestions you've put forward regarding improvements in characterization and story development would inevitably require quite a few additional pages to achieve. Finally, about crank letters. As stated frequently, we run them to show the other side of the coin—and incidentally, as a matter of clinical interest. Our readers seem to like them, so we don't see why you should accuse us of perpetrating a cheap trick. In closing, you're a very smart girl, we think. And we say sincerely that if your ability to plot is equal to your critical perception, you've got the makings of an excellent writer yourself.

"Dear Editor:—

While browsing through a newsstand, one comic magazine's cover—that of 'Unknown Worlds' No. 16—immediately caught my attention. The light green, purple, blue, orange color combinations as it were quite striking. Intrigued, I glanced through a couple pages and decided to purchase a copy. I must confess I was delighted with the stories, particularly 'Sam's A Hard Man To Convince'. In all my comic-reading years, I can't recall any stories with which to liken these in. The ending of 'Out Of Nowhere' was expected, yet unexpected. A paradox? I mean, I knew the alien would be disposed of, but how I couldn't guess. The art was generally excellent, especially what I saw of Ordern Whitney's. You wisely selected this talented illustrator to draw the cover. One of the things that impressed me most was the fact that all the stories were by-lined—even portraits were thoughtfully provided in a couple of cases! Obviously, they are proud of their handiwork, and justly so, in my estimation. It was particularly gratifying to observe the letter column, 'Kisses And Hisses' is a misleading title for a readers' department; it is unappealing to me, besides. I'll concede it's better than, say, 'Kados And Boo-Boos', but I repeat: a more appropriate title can be used. All considered, it was quite an issue for me.

—Melvin Herbers,

225 Gates Avenue, Elyria, Ohio"

Thanks, Melvin. We're glad that you liked 'Sam's A Hard Man To Convince'. Incidentally, we wonder why Lorelei, our correspondent above, had no comment to make on that one. We've taken careful note of your dislike of our "Kisses And Hisses" title for this department. How do you other readers feel about this? If you agree with Melvin and would prefer a new title for these pages, how about submitting some favorites? We'll be happy to place them every consideration, with a free subscription going to the fan who sends in the one we choose, if any.

RECURRENT DREAM

THE BOY'S CRY FILLED THE NIGHT. ONCE AGAIN THE THING HE FEARED MOST OF ALL HAD HAPPENED...

MOMMY, DADDY! I'M AFRAID...

STORY:-
THOMAS R. DREW
ART:-
PAUL REINMAN

WITHIN SECONDS, LOVING ARMS HELD HIM CLOSE...

IT'S ALL RIGHT, BOBBY! DON'T CRY, DARLING! NOTHING'S GOING TO HAPPEN!

THAT'S RIGHT, SON! IT'S ONLY A DREAM!

BUT WHY IS IT THE SAME ONE ALL THE TIME? IT SCARES ME... SOMETHIN' AWFUL...

IT'S SO DARK ALL AROUND ME, AND I KEEP FALLING, DOWN AND DOWN AND DOWN...

AND THEN I HEAR IT, OVER AND OVER THE SAME THING...

HELP...
HELP!

IT'S A DREAM, BOBBY, JUST A DREAM! YOU'LL STOP HAVING IT SOON ENOUGH—YOU'LL FORGET ALL ABOUT IT!

BUT THE STRANGE DREAM CONTINUED TO RECUR, EVEN WHEN ROBERT SIMMS HAD BECOME A GROWN MAN...



FINALLY, OUT OF DESPERATION, HE CONSULTED A DOCTOR...



AND SO, ROBERT SIMMS SOUGHT OUT THE HELP OF DOCTOR HARVEY CARTER, A RETIRED PSYCHIATRIST WHO ON OCCASION TREATED SPECIAL CASES AT HIS COUNTRY HOME...



HOWEVER, THERE IS NOTHING ALARMING ABOUT IT! RECURRENT DREAMS ARE MOST COMMON AND THEY CAN BE ELIMINATED... IN YOUR CASE, WITHOUT TOO MUCH DIFFICULTY!



YES, AND THE OLIVE YOUNG MAN LIES IN THE PERSISTENT VOICE! WHEN YOU NEXT HAVE THIS DREAM, PAY NO ATTENTION TO THE PLEA FOR HELP! THRUST IT FROM YOU, AND IN DOING SO YOU WILL HAVE SEVERED THE LINK THAT BINDS THE DREAM TO YOUR SUBCONSCIOUS SELF!



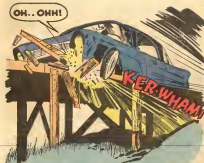
THEN THE DREAM HAS NO SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE, DOCTOR?



THE RIDE WAS UNEVENTFUL UNTIL THEY REACHED A SMALL BRIDGE, WHEN SUDDENLY...

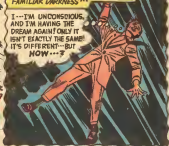


OH... OHH!



THERE WAS A BLINDING FLASH, THEN THE FAMILIAR DARKNESS...

I... I'M UNCONSCIOUS, AND I'M HAVING THE DREAM AGAIN! ONLY IT ISN'T EXACTLY THE SAME! IT'S DIFFERENT... BUT NOW...?



THEN THE MISSING PIECE DROPPED INTO PLACE...

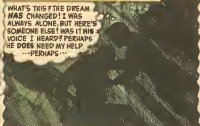
HELP...
HELP!

THE VOICE, CALLING TO ME... BUT I MUSTN'T PAY ATTENTION TO IT! DOCTOR CARTER SAID I MUST IGNORE IT... BREAK ITS HOLD ON ME...



THEN CAME THE MOST SHOCKING PART OF ALL...

WHAT'S THIS? THE DREAM HAS CHANGED! I WAS ALWAYS ALONE, BUT HERE'S SOMEONE ELSE! WAS IT HIS VOICE I HEARD? PERHAPS HE DOES NEED MY HELP... PERHAPS...



WHAT FOLLOWED, ROBERTS SUMMS COULD NEVER FULLY EXPLAIN! THERE WAS NO CONSCIOUS AWARENESS, NOT UNTIL HE STAGGERED FROM THE WATER...

O-- DOCTOR CARTER! HE WAS THE VOICE IN MY DREAM! IT WAS HE WHO CALLED OUT! BUT WAS IT A DREAM OR REAL--OR AM I STILL DREAMING...?



IT WAS A BIT LATER, WHEN DOCTOR CARTER HAD RECOVERED, THAT SOME SEMBLANCE OF AN EXPLANATION WAS OFFERED...

IT WAS NO DREAM, BUT REAL! WHEN WE CRASHED THROUGH THE RAILING, WE WERE THROWN INTO THE RIVER! IT WAS I WHO CALLED OUT FOR HELP, JUST AS IN YOUR DREAM, BUT IT WAS REALLY HAPPENING! AMAZING AS IT SOUNDS, YOUR DREAM CAME TRUE!

AFTER ALL THESE YEARS! IT WAS LIKE A GLIMPSE INTO THE FUTURE...



EVEN AS A PSYCHIATRIST, I CAN'T TELL HOW THIS CAME TO BE! BUT I AM GRATEFUL TO ROBERT SUMMS THAT HE IGNORED MY ADVICE AND RESPONDED TO THE CRY FOR HELP! MIGHT I ALSO ADD THAT SINCE THAT DAY, HIS DREAM HAS NEVER RECURRED AGAIN!



The DOG THAT DIDN'T DIE



IT WAS THE YEAR 1892---THE KING OF FRANCE, TOGETHER WITH A PARTY OF HIS COURTIERERS, WAS HUNTING IN THE ROYAL FOREST IN COMPANY. THE GROUP WAS THE COURT JESTER---AND THE JESTER'S DOG---

FOOL, YOU DARE BRING ALONG SUCH A CUR ON A ROYAL HUNT?

LET THE BEAST REMAIN! ITS STRANGE APPEARANCE AMUSES ME!

FORTUNATE WORDS---FOR WHEN A FIERCE BOAR MENACED THE KING, IT WAS THE DOG THAT PROVED A LIVESAVER---

THANK--- HEAVENS---



THE DOG DIED IN HIS BATTLE AGAINST THE BIG TUSKER! IN GRATITUDE FOR HAVING BEEN THUS SPARED, THE KING ORDERED THAT THE DOG BE STUFFED AND MOUNTED---AND DISPLAYED BENEATH THE MONARCH'S PORTRAIT---



TIME PASSED---IT WAS TWO HUNDRED YEARS LATER THAT ANOTHER FRENCH RULER FOUND HIMSELF IN DURE PERIL---THIS TIME FROM A MAD DOG!

MAD DOG! MAD DOG!

OH---



AT THE LAST MOMENT, A STRANGE ANIMAL HURTLIED TO THE RESCUE! FEARLESSLY, IT DESTROYED THE ATTACKING BEAST---BUT MET DEATH IN THE PROCESS---



THE BRAVE CREATURE---IT'S--- SAVED MY LIFE!

GRATEFUL FOR HIS GOOD FORTUNE, THE KING ORDERED THAT THE COURAGEOUS ANIMAL BE STUFFED AND MOUNTED THEN DISPLAYED IN THE ROYAL MUSEUM BELOW HIS PORTRAIT! AND THERE AN ASTOUNDING DISCOVERY WAS MADE---

IT--- IT'S THE SAME DOG!



CAN YOU EXPLAIN IT, READER?

THE END

JERRY MARKHAM HAD A GRIPES AGAINST LIFE. HE DIDN'T KNOW THAT WITHIN HIS HANDS LAY THE POWER TO GAIN HIS EVERY WISH, TO MOVE THE VERY UNIVERSE! NO---THE MAN WHO DIDN'T KNOW HIS OWN MIGHT COULD ONLY SAY---

"Nobody EVER GAVE ME A CHANCE!"



STORY BY
JERRY MARKHAM

BACK AT THE DAWN OF RECORDED HISTORY WERE DIFFERENT DAYS---THE DAYS OF THE GODS---



IN HIS HONOR, THE HIGH PRIEST MADE AN EFFIGY OF THE GOD---



OH, MIGHTY THROMONA--- IT IS THE PRAYER OF YOUR HIGH PRIEST THAT YOUR MIGHTY SPIRIT ENTER THIS EFFIGY---



GREATEST OF ALL WAS THE GOD THROMONA---





THE MYSTIC POWER OF THE FUSURINE WAS FIRST SHOWN WHEN BARBARIANS POURED THROUGH THE PASSES TO INVADE THE LAND OF THROMONA'S PEOPLE---



THEY'RE HEADING--THROUGH THE MOUNTAIN PASSES--KILLING ALL IN THEIR PATH! WE HAVEN'T A CHANCE!



THE PRAYER WAS ANSWERED! THROUGH THE CANYONS THERE RUSHED A SOLID WALL OF WATER---



IT SWEEPED DOWN UPON THE WOULD-BE INVADERS --AND DESTROYED THEM!



MANY GENERATIONS LATER, A HIGH PRIESTESS RULED---





IT'S A
TIGER!
RUN!

SAVE
ME, OH
THROMONA...



THE LITTLE IDOL HEARD---AND WHERE
THERE HAD BEEN DEADLY DANGER THERE
WAS NOTHING---

THE BEAST HAD
DISAPPEARED!

POUF!



AND AS THE CENTURIES PASSES---

A PLAGUE HAS STRUCK AT THE
ROYAL CITY---THE DEATH TOLL
IS RISING FAST! THE KING
HAS ASKED THAT YOU COME
AT ONCE AND INVOKE THE
AID OF OUR GOD---

I SHALL LEAVE
IMMEDIATELY.



BUT WHEN THE PRIEST ARRIVED---

YOU'RE TOO LATE.
EVERYONE HAS DIED
---EVEN THE KING---

THERE'S STILL
SOMETHING I
CAN DO!



OH, THROMONA---
DO NOT DESERT YOUR
PEOPLE! COME TO
THEIR AID---
CONQUER DEATH---



STILL BODIES STIRRED---AND ROSE! LIFE
HAD RETURNED---THE PLAGUE WAS OVER!



LET'S CITE JUST ONE MORE INSTANCE OF THROMONA'S
MIGHTY POWER. IT HAPPENED MANY YEARS LATER THAT
POVERTY CAME UPON THE NATION, AND THERE WAS NEED
EVERYWHERE---

OUR PEOPLE STARVE
---WE HAVE NO MONEY
TO BUY FOOD.

ONCE MORE WE
ASK THY AID, OH
MIGHTY IDOL---



GOLD FROM
THE SKIES!

WE'RE
SAVED!



THE CENTURIES PASSED, PASSED. NOW THE YEAR IS 1962... THE PLACE, THE CIVIC MUSEUM IN NEW YORK--

YOU MEN WILL FORM THE EXPEDITION THAT WILL SEARCH FOR THE LOST CITY OF **GRENOUDA**. NOW THAT WE'VE GOTTEN A LEAD TO ITS GENERAL LOCATION, FOSTER, YOU'LL BE IN CHARGE...

WHY WASN'T I PICKED? NOBODY EVER GIVES ME A CHANCE...



THE EXPEDITION REACHED THE SCENE AND COMMENCED EXCAVATIONS--

WE'VE FOUND A FEW THINGS LIKE THESE STONE TABLETS-- BUT I'M NOT SATISFIED THAT WE'RE EXACTLY OVER THE OLD CITY. I WANT YOU TWO TO GET BUSY AND TRANSLATE THE WORDS ON THE TABLETS-- THEY MAY GIVE US A BETTER LEAD.



LOOK AT HIM, WORKING AWAY LIKE A SLAVE. NOT ME. I'M FIT FOR BETTER THINGS... IT'S JUST THAT NOBODY EVER GAVE ME A CHANCE!



JERRY MARKHAM WASN'T THE TYPE YOU'D PICK AS A LEADER-- HE'D JUST NEVER GOTTEN ANYWHERE. AS THE EXPEDITION SAILED, HE TOOK HIS LEAVE OF SANDRA, HIS GIRLFRIEND--

I'VE HEARD OF ALL THE TREASURES THAT ARE FOUND IN THOSE OLD PLACES. BE SURE TO BRING ME BACK SOMETHING ESPECIALLY NICE, JERRY.

DON'T WORRY, YOU'LL GET THE BEST-- I'LL USE MY INFLUENCE!



MY TRANSLATIONS SHOW WE'VE BEEN DIGGING IN THE WRONG PLACE-- AND INDICATE WHERE THE **RIGHT PLACE** IS!

CONGRATULATIONS ON A GREAT JOB! YOU'VE SAVED US A LOT OF WORK.

HUH-- BIG DEAL!



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AND AS THE DIGGING PROCEEDED, THE LOST CITY OF GRENCH WAS UNCOVERED AFTER ALL THE CENTURIES OF ITS BURIAL...



A LARGE STORE OF GOLD AND JEWELS WAS COLLECTED...

WHAT WEALTH...AND WHAT A MUSEUM DISPLAY ALL THIS IS GOING TO MAKE!



ALL THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE EXPEDITION ARE BRINSING IN VALUABLE RELICS BECAUSE THEY'RE WILLING TO SEARCH FOR THEM--BUT YOU'RE JUST HANGING AROUND AND IDLING. EITHER YOU GET BUSY AND BRING IN SOMETHING OR I'LL SEND YOU BACK TO AMERICA!



WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS? HE WOULDN'T BE TALKING TO ME THAT WAY IF I'D GOTTEN PLACES THE WAY I SHOULD HAVE. CONFOUND HIM!



HEY--I WONDER WHAT THIS STUPID LITTLE THING IS?



YOU SAID YOU WANTED ME TO BRING SOMETHING IN...HERE!



OTHERS TURN IN REAL FINDS--BUT APPARENTLY THIS IS THE BEST YOU CAN DO VERY WELL... THROW IT IN THE CRATE OVER THERE!

THE EXPEDITION RETURNED IN TRIUMPH--

WE CAN'T FORGET THAT IT WAS YOU WHO MADE THE TRANSLATIONS WHICH SHOWED US WHERE TO DIG--ACCEPT THIS JEWELLED BRACELET WE FOUND THERE AS A MEASURE OF OUR THANKS--



HOLY SMOKE, I PROMISED TO BRING BACK SOMETHING SWEET FOR SANDRA! I'VE GOTTA PRODUCE--

HOW ABOUT ME? DON'T I RATE ANYTHING?

VERY LITTLE, AS I REMEMBER YOU WERE TOO GOOD TO EXTEND YOURSELF--YOU TURNED IN ONLY ONE FIND--





---SO HERE IT IS! YOU CAN HAVE IT!



I COULD HARDLY WAIT, JERRY---REMEMBERING THE WONDERFUL GIFT YOU PROMISED TO BRING ME. HAVE YOU GOT IT?

WELL---
UH---
YEAH.



HERE---

WHAT--THAT PIECE OF JUNK? WHAT SORT OF FOOL DO YOU THINK I AM, ANYWAY? YOU CAN KEEP IT. YOU---YOU WORTHLESS FOURFLUSHER!



YOU'RE A FAILURE AND ALWAYS WILL BE ---IF SOMEBODY HANDED YOU THE WORLD ON A SILVER PLATTER, YOU WOULDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH IT! YOU CAN'T AFFORD A GIRLFRIEND! LET ALONE A WIFE ---SO GET OUT!



I NEVER HAD ANY LUCK---NOBODY EVER GAVE ME A CHANCE---



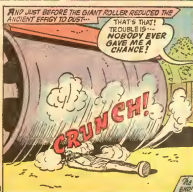
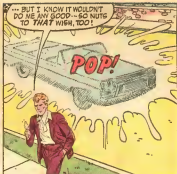
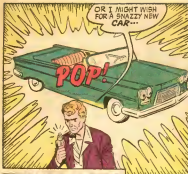
ABSTRACTED, HE WALKED INTO THE PATH OF SURE DEATH! IT DIDN'T LOOK AS IF ANYTHING COULD SAVE HIM---



WHAT THE---!

---ALL I EVER SEEM TO COLLECT IS JUNK LIKE THIS---





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